

HOUSE BILL 3134
By Armstrong

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 68-11-310, relative to reports of hospitals licensed by the department of health, and reports of hospitals licensed by the department of mental health and developmental disabilities under Tennessee Code Annotated Title 33, Chapter 2, Part 4.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 68-11-310, is amended by deleting subsection (a) and by substituting instead the following:

(a)

(1) All hospitals licensed by the department of health or by the department of mental health and developmental disabilities shall, within one hundred five (105) days after the end of each individual hospital's fiscal year, submit to the department of health a joint annual report of the statistical particulars relative to their patients for the fiscal year.

(2) If a hospital closes or changes ownership during the fiscal year, the owner of the hospital at the beginning of the fiscal year shall file a joint annual report with the department of health for the period of time that the hospital was owned or operated. The joint annual report shall be submitted within one hundred five (105) days after the close or change of ownership.

(3) If the department of health determines there are errors in the joint annual report, the hospital will be notified of the errors and will be required to provide corrections to the department of health within fifteen (15) business days of receipt of notification.

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 68-11-310(b), is amended by deleting the following language: "and when such report is to be filed".

SECTION 3. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 68-11-310(c)(1), is amended by deleting from the second sentence the language “ten (10) calendar days” and substituting instead the language “fifteen (15) business days from receipt of the deficiency.”

SECTION 4. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 68-11-310, is amended by adding the following subsection:

(d) The department of health shall compile, finalize, and make available to the public an electronic compilation of the statistics reported by the hospitals for the fiscal years ending during a calendar year by August 15 of the following year.

SECTION 5. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it